

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Robert W. Henderson *et al.*

Continuation of Appl. No. 08/797,294

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For: Aminosugar, Glycosaminoglycan,  
and S-Adenosylmethionine  
Composition for the Treatment and  
Repair of Connective Tissue

Art Unit: Unassigned

Examiner: Unassigned

Atty. Docket: 24047.330C.US01

**Preliminary Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to reviewing the above-subject application on its merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to review and enter the following amendments and remarks.

***In The Specification:***

Please revise page 1, paragraph 1, of the specification to read as follows:

The present application is a continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/797,294, filed February 7, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of co-pending United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/779,996, filed December 23, 1996, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

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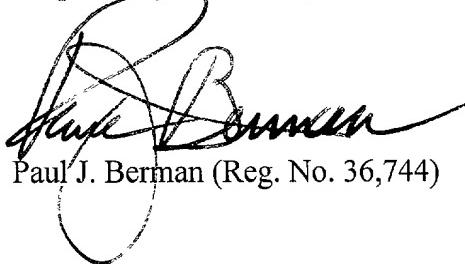
***Remarks***

These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested. A separate sheet is attached to reflect the revisions to page 1, paragraph 1, of the specification.

***Conclusion***

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**Mark-Up Sheet Reflecting Amendments to the Specification for  
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